

M. E. CONFERENCE FAVORS MODIFIED NATIONS LEAGUE

Calls Bolshevik Movement Nothing but Camouflaged Prussianism

BACK REVISED CHARTER

Praise President and Urge Prayers to Strengthen Him at Peace Table

Afternoon Program for M. E. Conference

2 p. m.—Anniversary of Woman's Foreign Missionary Society.
4 p. m.—Pentecostal service, the Rev. Dr. Charles M. Boswell in charge.
6 p. m.—Annual dinner of the Educational Society.

Methodist ministers committed themselves to the league of nations, but not in the form presented by President Wilson, at the second day's session of their annual conference held in the Spring Garden Church today.

They predicted the failure of Bolshevism in the United States, urged a new charter for Philadelphia and asked that returning soldiers be provided with jobs. They endorsed the Young Men's Christian Association in a resolution expressing confidence in its overseas work and gratitude for what it had accomplished during the war.

The expected debate over the report of the commission on social service on the league of nations provision did not materialize. Only one amendment was offered. It was designed to make the provision "noncommittal" to the covenant as it now stands. This was accepted by the commission and the report was adopted unanimously.

The league of nations, which in some forms is to solve the problems, is the breaking down of the nation's party partition and is paving the way for the vision of Jesus to come true in the establishing of the kingdom of God on earth," the report says.

We commend the spirit and purpose of President Wilson at the peace table of the world and call upon our people to strengthen him with their prayers."

Pastor Asks Amendment
When the report was moved for adoption, the Rev. Dr. Edgar Adams, of the Simpson Memorial Church, Sixty-first and Jefferson streets, asked that the phrase "which in some form is to solve the problems" be inserted. The amendment was adopted, and the report passed.

In part, the report says: "Bolshevism is a new and insidious doctrine of the spirit and method, that would overturn the experience of the race and, so far as our own loved country is concerned, make unless the tools are changed, all our fathers in church and state. We find it to be only a camouflaged Prussianism, maintaining itself by military methods and forsaking unproclaimed democratic principles.

"It is clearly a class movement based on materialistic conception of life. It has not fulfilled its glittering promises and industrial Russia is finding itself without bread and with a decreasing industrial efficiency and a lessening production.

"We predict the failure of every social program unrelated to a spirit dynamic in Christ. We shall have really lost the war of the spirit of society and service it developed in support of an era of peace and reconstruction by the ancient and dishonorable spirit of self-interest."

Commends Interchurch Work
The report then commends the religious work of the interchurch Federation at Hove Island and lauds its work against commercialized vice in Philadelphia.

"We commend a careful study of the new city charter and recommend the merits thereof be presented to the public by our ministry as being courses unbiased and free from the spirit of spoils and exploitation," the report continues.

"We commend the proposed legislation to increase the salaries of our public school teachers and call upon our ministers and people to use every honorable means to secure its enactment."

The report calls upon the people to "assume their full share of responsibility in helping to bring our soldiers and sailors to their proper positions."

The Rev. J. G. Bickerton is chairman of the commission. The report was read by the Rev. F. M. Thompson.

The Rev. Dr. Charles M. Boswell presented the report of the Methodist Episcopal Hospital, which showed that the total income of the institution from various sources last year was \$20,100 and that \$25,892 had been added to the endowment fund.

Woman Auto Thief Rejects Clemency; Is Given 12 Years

Florence Duke, After Passing of Sentence, Smiles and Says She Now Will Be Near Husband Who Is in Penitentiary

Florence Duke, the pretty young woman who has confessed the theft of twenty-five automobiles, today rejected an offer of clemency.

Accordingly she was sentenced to not fewer than eleven years and eight months and not more than twelve years on four counts of automobile stealing.

She will be committed to the Eastern Penitentiary, where her husband, named Barrington, already is serving a long term.

When sentence was pronounced by Judge Mottershead in quarter Sessions Court today, Mrs. Barrington, hitherto known as "Mrs. Duke, bore the punishment unflinchingly. She was sentenced to not less than ten years and eleven months, and not more than three years on each of the four counts, the sentences to run consecutively.

As she was taken from the courtroom the young woman, with twelve years of prison life facing her, looked up at the court attendant and smiled.

"Well, anyhow," she said, "I can see my husband now."

Learned Husband Was Crook
As she refused clemency and went to the penitentiary today to be near Barrington the young wife said she turned to a life of crime after she learned that her husband was among the most noted characters of the underworld.

When she married him four years ago she supposed him to be a salesman, as Barrington had represented himself.

She told the police that the shock of this completely changed her life. She came gradually to accept her husband's sophistry about the "foolishness of working hard when there is plenty of easy money."

Last October she was sent to the House of Correction for three months for stealing her husband's car. She was convicted and sent to the Eastern Penitentiary. She determined, she told Captain of Detectives Souder, to steal enough automobiles when she was released.

She said she drove the machines to a garage at Millville, N. J. She did not attempt to dispose of them after taking them to the garage, she said, but did not know who ultimately bought them. Money for the cars, she said, was mailed to her Sixteenth street address.

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Count von Broelhoff-Rantzau is a graduate of the German imperial diplomatic, and has been Foreign Minister since the resignation of Doctor David.

Doctor David is a member of the German Ministry without portfolio. The identity of Dr. Adolph Warburg is uncertain.

Doctor Müller formerly was director of the Electric Accumulator Works at Berlin, and in July, 1915, received an honorary doctorate from the University of Göttingen for his work in developing the efficiency of German submarines.

Professor Schuecking, late in 1914, published a letter blaming Russia for the European war.

Herr Geisberg is a newcomer in the German government.

Berlin Press Denounces Terms
Reports from Paris to the effect that the peace treaty will provide that Poland shall have Danzig and that a buffer state shall be formed along the Rhine have stirred up the German press, both conservative and radical.

"It is to be hoped there is nobody in Germany who would suffer such a treaty to be signed," says the Berlin Tageblatt.

"The Berlin Lokal Anzeiger says: 'We regard it as absolutely certain that these demands will be rejected, if they are made.'

The newspaper says that if Danzig were given to the Poles they would get little enjoyment from it.

"This stolen property," it declares, "would be in their hands." It also says that Germany would be justified in refusing to sign the treaty if it contained these conditions, setting forth President Wilson's program as justification for the refusal.

London, March 13.—(By A. P.)—The Daily Telegraph says: "The culmination of the most notable episode reported so far in the four months' history of the Peace Conference. The supreme war council will today discuss the text of the terms of German disarmament and abandonment of conscription to be required of Germany."

"The destruction of German militarism. Yet it is an admitted truth that until a few days ago nothing so bold and decisive was in contemplation in the inner circle of the conference.

EUROPE MUST START WORK TO AVOID TOTAL COLLAPSE

FRANK VANDERLIP WARNS Dictatorship Looming Up in Germany; Reds Beaten

Noske or Hindenburg May Rule—Spartacans Driven From Eastern Berlin—Many Prisoners Executed—Women Among Captives

By the Associated Press

London, March 13.—Picturing internal conditions in Germany, the Daily Mail's Berlin correspondent says that the carnival of senseless prodigality and reckless debauchery prevalent in the German capital is a result of the complete breakdown of the people's nervous system.

"The tension everywhere in Germany is greater even than during the war," the correspondent says, "because over the country hangs the shadow of impending horror, chaos and anarchy combined, from which many believe the country cannot be saved."

Faith in Regime Fades
"Faith in the National Assembly has almost vanished, and hardly any one takes the trouble to read the reports of the proceedings at Weimar. Still fewer deny that the Scheidemann government has proved a failure. The possibility of a dictatorship is discussed openly and the names of Gustave Noske, Minister of National Defense, and Colonel von Lettow-Vorbeck, former commander of the

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Treaty Terms Should Speed Up Industry, Says Banker

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"Hunger" Can Lead Any Country to Bolshevism," Is Declaration

AMERICANS BOUND TO STAND BY ALLIES

Products Must Be Distributed to Restore Nations to Safe Basis

By the Associated Press

Paris, March 13.—I doubt if America has begun to comprehend the seriousness of the appalling situation which confronts Europe, and the wreck which the whole fabric of civilization may be facing," said Frank A. Vanderlip yesterday. He has been investigating conditions in England and France, and will continue his inquiries in Switzerland and Italy.

"America was once told there might be peace without victory," he said. "What we have in victory without peace. Production has ceased, and unless production can be speedily resumed, the horrors of war may be exceeded by the horrors of this after period, which is neither war nor peace, but a breakdown of the machinery of civilization.

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COLONEL HOUSE TO MEET WILSON AT FRENCH PORT

Brest Gayly Decorated With Allied Flags for Arrival of President Tonight

By the Associated Press

Brest, France, March 13.—(By A. P.)—Colonel E. M. House and Jules J. Jusserand, French Ambassador to the United States, with Madame Jusserand, have arrived in Brest to greet President Wilson when he lands from the George Washington. They were given a luncheon this noon by Georges Lagy, Minister of Marine.

In preparation for the President's arrival, Brest was gayly decorated, all the decorations having been put in place before midday.

At 8:30 o'clock last night the George Washington was between 400 and 500 miles on the French coast. From the steamer President Wilson sent a wireless message stating that he expected to arrive here sufficiently early to start for Paris Thursday evening.

The French naval commander announced that it was most probable that there would be no ceremony, but that the President would enter the train for Paris almost immediately after debarking. It was here sufficiently early to start for Paris Thursday evening.

Four American destroyers—the Yarnell, Tarbell, Wiley and Lee—have followed the George Washington and are escorting her toward this port.

SHORE SOLICITOR HOME TODAY
Illness in Cincinnati Caused Wootton to Overstay Vacation

Atlantic City, N. J., March 13.—City Solicitor Harry Wootton today allayed fears of his friends for his safety with word that he expected to be back late this afternoon.

Solicitor Wootton wired Mayor Bacharach, in explanation of his extended absence, that he had been taken ill in Cincinnati while on a business trip in the West.

Solicitor Wootton was granted a two-week vacation on February 1, and it was extended another fortnight by request. Wild rumors followed his failure to appear on March 1, as not a word had been received by friends either as to his whereabouts or reason for not reporting at that time. No action will be taken by the city commission, as the commissioners are satisfied with his explanation in the matter.

GALLOWAY TO QUIT BY REQUEST
Civil Service Commissioner Will Resign and Tell Why He Does So

Washington, March 13.—(By A. P.)—Charles M. Galloway, member of the Civil Service Commission, whose resignation has been called for by President Wilson, announced today that he would resign within a few days.

"At the proper time," he added, "I shall probably make a statement of the real reasons for the request for my resignation."

The appointment of a successor to Mr. Galloway has been withheld at the White House pending receipt of his resignation. Successors were appointed yesterday to the other two members of the commission, Hermon W. Craven, whose resignation also was requested, and John A. McElhenry, who resigned several weeks ago.

CARUSO'S TAX \$153,933.70
Tenor Pays First Installment of \$38,483.42 at Collector's Office

New York, March 13.—(By A. P.)—Enrico Caruso, the tenor, will pay an income tax of \$153,933.70 for 1918. It was revealed at the collector's office in the Second New York District today. Caruso visited the office in person late yesterday and, taking advantage of the installment payment system, presented a check for \$38,483.42, one-fourth of the total amount.

Permission to print the amount was given by Caruso, as the law does not permit the tax collector's office to voluntarily give out the information.

FOOD-PRICE SCALE TO CONTINUE HIGH

May Never Resume Pre-War Status, Says Grocers' Convention Speaker

NO EARLY DOWN TREND

"Present food prices will continue at least a year," said Edward Cumpson, president of the New York State Wholesale Grocers' Association today.

He said that the "foolishness" of all the nations in not making a steady downward trend in retail grocery prices, but that cannot be expected very soon. Pre-war rates may not be reached for some time.

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APPEALS TO U. S. TO AID KOREANS

Peace Delegate Protests Killing of His Countrymen by Japanese

LAI D BEFORE POLK

A protest against further killing or torturing of Korean nationalists by the Japanese was sent today to Frank L. Polk, acting Secretary of State, by Syngham Rhee, delegate from the Korean National Association to the Peace Conference. The United States is asked to intercede.

Doctor Rhee, who is visiting Philip Johnson at 122 Chestnut street, filed his protest against "Japanese barbarism" after he had received word that thousands of his countrymen who have been fighting in the Korean army have been killed or injured.

His message to the State Department reads: "We, the representatives of the Korean National Association, of all the Koreans residing in the United States and Hawaii, lay before you the following facts:

"According to private cablegrams received from the Korean headquarters, Shanghai, China, some three million Koreans, including the members of three thousand of the Korean army, have been killed or injured since March 1, at Seoul, P'yongyang, and other centers."

"In consequence Japanese authorities in Korea have 'arrested' more than a thousand men connected with the movement, inflicting upon them inhuman punishment."

"We take the liberty to ask you in the name of humanity, to use your good offices with the Japanese Government to see that these patriotic men shall not be cruelly treated or their lives forfeited unjustly."

Awaiting Passports
Doctor Rhee is awaiting passports from Washington to go to Paris. According to Doctor Rhee, Secretary Lansing yesterday sent a wire to Mr. Polk, in which he stated that it was inadvisable at present to have Korean representation at the Peace Conference.

"President Wilson's position in reference to the peace movement for independence," said Doctor Rhee, "is a very delicate one. He does not want to affront Japan, which is against us having such representation, afraid that the truth about Korea and Japan's treatment of her will be published to the world."

Japan for ten years has oppressed Korea in every possible way. She has put in prison those Koreans, who, like myself and Mr. Jalsohn, worked to educate the Koreans through the Y. M. C. A., and the Christian churches, of which we have now more than three thousand.

"When some years ago as delegate to the Quadrennial Methodist Conference in Minneapolis of the Korean Independence League from my country, I received word that I had incurred the displeasure of the Japanese Government in Korea and that I would be put in prison as soon as I landed, 'so that I am now a refugee from my native land.'"

Dr. Philip Jalsohn, a graduate of Princeton and Harvard, was the first to establish to his native land as chief counsel to Emperor Yee, at the time when Korea was still independent. The Emperor Yee and Japanese influence became dominant. When Dr. Jalsohn saw that his advice was not taken, he broke away from Korea and sought refuge in Japan, after two years' residence in his native country, returned, as he stated today, to "the land of the free and the home of the brave."

"I could have been a millionaire had I stayed and yielded to the subtle political foreign influences that were trying to buy me and make me betray my country. Rather than that I came, though a poor man, to this city, where I make an honest living and am far happier, knowing that my family and myself are left to live in peace."

HALT AERIAL DUEL
Paris Police Protect Those Below. Send Duellists to Sea

Paris, March 13.—(By A. P.)—The Paris police have taken a hand in the proposed aerial duel between Leon Yaucostraine and Robert Schreber, recently army aviators. The police give two reasons why the duel should not be permitted, namely, that during its forbidden and that people below would be endangered.

It is suggested, however, that the aviators might conduct their duel over the sea.

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